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| For: GALVANOSORPTIVE REACTION |) | |
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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 5, 2000, for which a one month extension of time for response is hereby requested, please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 9, 15, 16, 23 and 24 without prejudice or disclaimer and enter the following new claims:

¹³⁰²~~25~~ A process for converting sorptive reaction work into useful electrical work by means of a galvanic membrane electrolyte reaction cell (1) in which a substance system consisting of a vapor/carrier gas mixture and a solution absorbing the vapor is fed in and carried off and a cell housing (2) which contains a flat-shaped, porous, gas-permeable first electrode (4) and a flat-shaped, porous, gas- and liquid-permeable second electrode (5), divided by a media-sealing, galvanically separating peripheral seal (3) into a first housing part (2.1) and a second housing part (2.2), in which between the electrode faces there is arranged a